of Maryland; the Honorable Steny H. Hoyer, President of the Senate of Maryland; the Honorable John Hanson Briscoe, Speaker of the House of Delegates; the Honorable William A. Urie, Acting Secretary, Department of Licensing and Regulation, 1 South Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202; the Honorable Joseph G. Anastasi, Secretary, Department of Economic and Community Development, 2525 Riva Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401; and Michael I. Volk, 90 State Circle, Room 113, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

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No. 42

(House Joint Resolution 93)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

State House - Display of Maryland Flag

FOR the purpose of requesting the State House Trust to investigate the feasibility of affixing a gold cross bottomy to the top of the State House flagstaff; and further requesting that this project be undertaken if it is concluded that it is practical.

WHEREAS, The State House is the seat of the Legislative and Executive branches of Maryland government; and

WHEREAS, A provision of State law requires the Maryland flag to be displayed from the State House (Article 41 § 73 of the Annotated Code of Maryland); and

WHEREAS, The law of Maryland also provides, "If any ornament is affixed to the top of a flagstaff carrying the flag of Maryland, it shall be a gold cross bottony (Article 41 § 74 of the Annotated Code of Maryland); and

WHEREAS, A weathervane crnament is affixed to the flagstaff from which the Maryland flag is displayed at the State House, but the gold cross bottony is not affixed to the top of the flagstaff; and

WHEREAS, It is desireable to comply with the provisions of State law regarding the proper display of the Maryland flag; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the State House Trust is requested to investigate